February 14, 2007 Update Child Care Licensing Transportation Rulemaking

The Arizona Department of Health Services (Department) is amending the child care licensing rules for the transportation of children in R9-5-517. The rule revision will allow a staff member who is not a teacher-caregiver to transport a child in a motor vehicle. The Department is also reorganizing the subsections by moving some provisions from R9-5-404 to R9-5-517.

The Department has submitted a Docket Opening with the Office of the Secretary of State and the Docket Opening was published in the *Arizona Administrative Register* on July 21, 2006.

The Department has submitted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to the Office of the Secretary of State and the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the *Arizona Administrative Register* on November 3, 2006. Oral Proceedings for this rulemaking were held on December 5, 2006, at 1:30 p.m., at 150 N. 18th Avenue, Room 415C, Phoenix, AZ 85007 and December 6, 2006, at 10:30 a.m., at 400 W. Congress, Room 131, Tucson, AZ 85701.

The Department has submitted a Notice of Final Rulemaking (NFRM) to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council (GRRC). The NFRM will be heard at a GRRC meeting on March 6, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. If GRRC approves the NFRM on March 6, 2007, the rules will become effective 60 days after GRRC submits the NFRM to the Office of the Secretary of State.

If you have any questions or comments about this rulemaking, please contact Thomas Salow at salowt@azdhs.gov or (602) 364-1935.